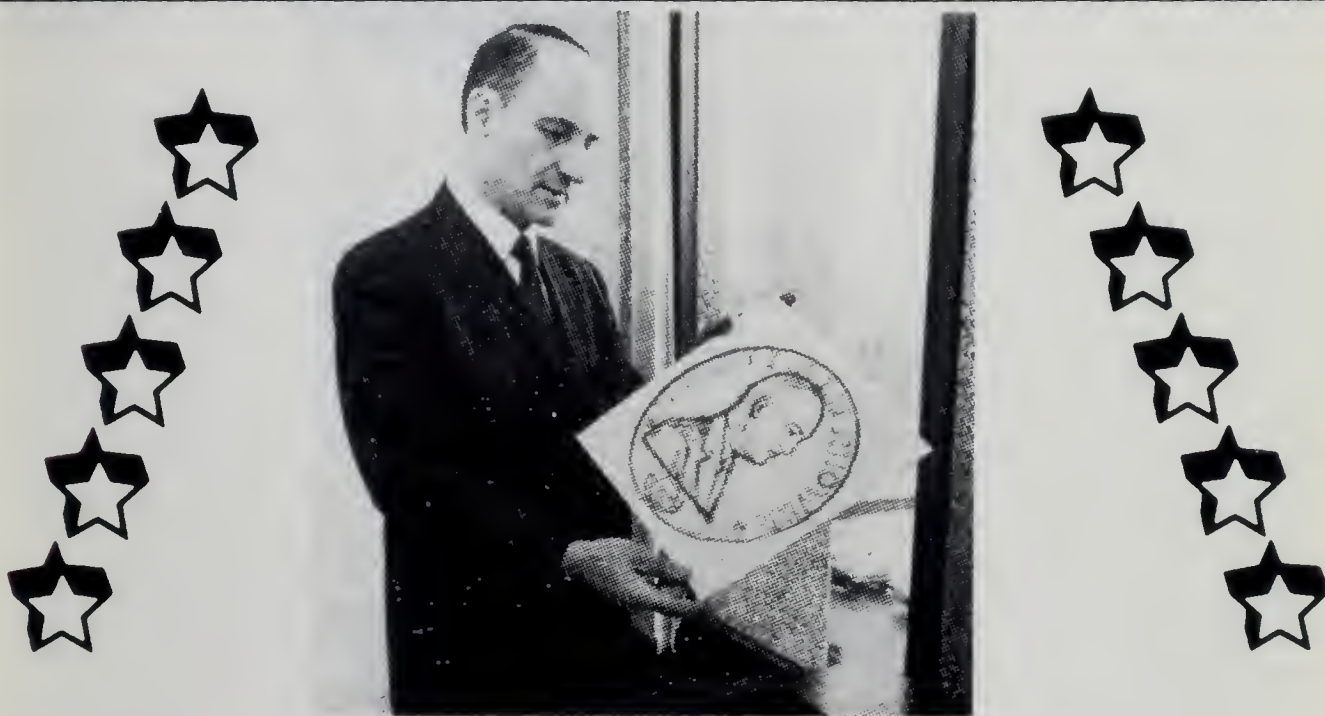




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Frank Gasparro, the Mint's Chief Engraver, displays his initial design for the "Ike" dollar. He created it in 1945 after seeing Eisenhower in a victory parade. Upon returning home he began hand carving a die, little suspecting that 25 years later he would be selected as the man to make the obverse and reverse of our largest coin.

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## Message From The President

Dorothy C. Baber, CSNA 1577



Quite a lot of water has gone under the bridge since the last report in November.

*Cal-State* lost three very dedicated, noted numismatists the last part of 1988 ... Barbara Hyde, former editor of *Calcoin News*, recipient of *CSNA's* Medal of Merit, and well-known sculptress, to name a few of her accomplishments. Also, Richard Yeoman, "*Mr. Redbook*" ... and we cannot begin to name how much he did for the hobby. He last appeared at *CSNA's* Symposium in Fullerton in March 1988, and drew a large crowd. Herbert Bergen, *CSNA* Past President, passed away also. Needless to say, we shall miss these three numismatic friends.

On the lighter side, my husband Al and I were privileged to share the celebration of the 50th anniversary of marriage the first weekend in January with a number of our friends and relatives. Numismatic friends are acquainted with son Larry, but there are also two daughters who are not coin-oriented living in the San Diego area. The three of them hosted a reception which I am sure they cannot top when we reach 75 years (?) . . .

You will find more information on the upcoming spring convention in San Mateo ... May 5, 6, 7, 1989 at the Dunfey Hotel, but I want to point out that I am sure it will be a successful show, with Dave Cicniewicz and his well-organized committee in charge. They did an outstanding job in 1987 in San Francisco, and this should be no different. Please mark your calendars now to be sure and attend.

As you probably noticed by your election ballot, some of the names were not as given in the last issue of *Calcoin News* ...

deadlines can cause problems! The nominating committee had done their job properly, but at the business meeting in Ontario, the current president was nominated for re-election, and following the convention the presidential nominee named by the committee, Ed Fulwider, chose to withdraw his name as candidate for that office. I am sorry that Ed could not see his way to take the office of president, but know he will continue to support *CSNA* and be around when needed.

Another item of extreme importance is the joining together of the Southern California organizations (*C.S.N.A.*, *S.I.N.*, *N.A.S.C.*, and *C.O.I.N.*) to hold one coin show/convention in Southern California, which would, hopefully, be profitable for all the organizations. In December, a meeting of board members of these four organizations was held, and a committee appointed to pursue this venture with the proposed convention to be held in 1990 possibly at the Disneyland Hotel and Convention Center. Two members from each organization were named as a committee.

The *Orange County Coin Club* had planned on using the Red Lion Inn facility for the fall 1989 *CSNA* Convention, but since the only available time was, again, the Thanksgiving weekend, and also hoping to have their 50th Anniversary Celebration in their own county, *Orange County Coin Club* officers have reserved space at the Saddleback Inn in Santa Ana, and selected the dates of October 27, 28, 29 for the convention. More detailed information will be published as available, but now is the time to make note of these dates.

Til then, thanks for listening . . .

Dorothy





# Editorially

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COMING TOGETHER — that is what's happening in Southern California!

The *California State Numismatic Association (CSNA)*, *Convention of International Numismatics (COIN)*, *Numismatic Association of Southern California (NASC)* and the *Society of International Numismatics (SIN)* are working on unification to bring collectors one BIG California Show. It is hoped this move will provide a stability for the future of numismatics in our area.

Currently each organization is sponsoring their own convention, but with the influx of new shows the past few years, individuality has become financially impossible. Devoted numismatists of the area belong to all associations, therefore, were performing the same duties several times a year. One grouping paints a better economical picture and a lot less work for the members.

Current plans are for each club to continue with their own educational forums, social functions, and striking of medals.

The public will also benefit from this combined effort as they will be able to visit more dealers at one location and have a better selection from which to make their purchases.

A committee has been selected to organize such a show in 1990 and choose a location site. Each organization has two representatives on the committee, from these eight people a chairman will be chosen.

The main goal is to promote the great hobby of numismatics for all to enjoy. Our hobby is a key to friendship with others who have shared values and a common interest.

Coin club members from all areas should support this combined coin show. It will be good for our hobby.

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# Through the Numismatic Glass

## PRESIDENT EISENHOWER COMMEMORATED

Gathered together in the Oval Office at the White House on October 3, 1988 were retired General John Eisenhower, son of the late president, Senators Robert Dole and Nancy Kannerbaum from the state of Kansas and Representative Frank Annunzio, a name familiar to all numismatists, along with Representative William F. Goodling from Pennsylvania. The occasion was the ceremony to sign S-2789, a bill introduced by Senator Dole and about to become law with the signature of President Reagan.

Moving with remarkable speed following months of inaction, it took only two days for the Senate and House to approve legislation creating a commemorative silver dollar to honor the centennial of the birth of President Eisenhower. The bill, as signed by President Reagan, calls for the minting of up to 4 million coins with a surcharge of \$7 per coin. The surcharge is to be used to reduce the federal deficit. This commemorative coin may be struck at two mints (it is assumed one for uncirculated specimens and one for proof specimens). The obverse design will bear an image of Eisenhower while the reverse will show an illustration of the Eisenhower home in the Gettysburg National Historic site.

It has been twenty years since the death of this popular second world war leader (March 28, 1969) and when Eisenhower died there was an outcry to produce a coin honoring the late president and general. After all, wasn't Roosevelt (1946) and then Kennedy (1964) so remembered?

## DWIGHT DAVID EISENHOWER

Ike, as most of the country knew him, was born in Denison, Texas on October 4, 1890, the third of seven brothers. Struggling to make ends meet, the Eisenhowers moved back to Kansas in 1892 when Dwight was just two years old. The family settled in Abilene where



Dwight D. Eisenhower's magnetic personality helped unite the Allies against Hitler and the Nazis. He was an immensely popular and trusted President. After 1960 he was repeatedly consulted by his Democratic successors.



Eisenhower graduated from Abilene High School in 1909. History had been the favorite subject for the recent high school graduate and within a year, he applied for admittance to the United States Naval Academy. At the time of the entrance examination, Dwight discovered that the same test was given for both the Naval and Military Academies. Having passed with excellent marks, an appointment to West Point soon followed.

Graduating from the Point in 1915, Eisenhower ranked sixty-first in his class of 168, certainly not a distinguished mark. He was commissioned a second lieutenant of infantry but saw no overseas duty in World War I. Eisenhower met and became engaged to Mamie Geneva Doud, the 19 year old daughter of a well-to-do Denver businessman while assigned to Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas. They were married on July 1, 1916, the day he received his promotion to first lieutenant.

After a number of assignments and schooling at the Army General Staff School in Leavenworth, Kansas and the War College in Washington, D.C., Ike was appointed aide to General Douglas MacArthur, who in 1932, was Chief of Staff of the United States Army. He went to the Philippines with MacArthur and remained there for four years where he advanced to the rank of lieutenant colonel.

With the entry of the United States into the 2nd World War, Eisenhower was promoted to colonel in 1941 and made brigadier general in February, 1942, being named Chief of the Key Planning Division of the General Staff. In June, 1942, Dwight D. Eisenhower was named Commanding General of the European Theatre of Operation. In December, 1943, Ike was appointed Supreme Commander of the huge Allied Expeditionary Forces in Europe, in advance over 350 Senior General Officers. Of course, it was General Eisenhower who organized and led the Normandy Invasion, the largest amphibious operation in military history.

Following the victory of allied forces, Eisenhower became the first United States Military Governor of Germany and was made the first five-star general. In November, 1945, he was appointed by President Truman as Chief of Staff of the United States Army; a post he held until spring, 1948, when he retired from military service.

In June, 1948, Eisenhower became President of Columbia University. After thirty months, he left the University to become NATO Commander and to organize the forces of the alliance. Ike announced himself as a Republican and was nominated on the first ballot in 1952 with Richard M. Nixon chosen as his running mate.

Eisenhower had made a promise to go to Korea and bring that war to an end if elected and he signed an agreement ending that conflict on July 27, 1953. Other accomplishments of his two terms included the beginning of our space program, the International Atomic Energy Agency and the admission of Alaska and Hawaii to the status of statehood. Ike referred to his program as "Modern Republicanism", and to himself as a "middle of the roader".

When Eisenhower left office, his health was precarious — he had suffered his first heart attack in 1955. Ike retired to the one and only home owned by the Eisenhowers, his farm in Gettysburg. He died on March 28, 1969 and is buried in Abilene, Kansas.

## PREPARATIONS FOR THE NEW DOLLAR

As early as 1969, the mint's chief engraver and sculptor, Frank Gasparro had been quietly working on the possibility of a dollar coin bearing the likeness of the late president. The engraver had long been an admirer of Eisenhower. Almost 25 years earlier, on June 20, 1945, Mr. Gasparro joined the crowds curbside on 5th Ave. in New York City as part of the tumultuous welcome home and victory parade for the famous five-star general. Getting only a fleeting glimpse of Ike as he rode by, Mr. Gasparro returned to the Mint and made a profile drawing of Eisenhower capturing the strong facial features so familiar to us all.

During the spring of 1969, Gasparro studied his first drawing along with some thirty other pictures. In an effort to keep the project secret, Gasparro worked on the drawings

on Saturdays and Sundays and late in the evening after mint personnel left. He soon began to sketch his design for the obverse of the coin and proceeded to make models in plaster. By the time the Eisenhower dollar was authorized, the obverse design was ready.

## EISENHOWER DOLLAR LEGISLATION

Legislation authorizing the dollar was debated for more than a year. The question of silver in the coins of the United States had been argued since the removal of silver from the smaller denominations in 1965. The Kennedy half dollar had remained a 40% silver piece through 1969 as some government officials maintained our larger denomination coins should retain some silver. Thus a stalemate between the pro-silver Senate and the anti-silver House would hold up the adoption of the Eisenhower Dollar bill. Eventually, a compromise resolved the problem, by calling for a clad cupro-nickel dollar for general circulation and for .400 fine silver uncirculated and proof specimens to be sold at a premium to the collecting public.

At last, tied to a bank act, the first dollar coins to be minted since 1935 became a reality following the signature of President Richard M. Nixon. Public Law 91307, the One Bank Holding Company Act was signed on New Year's Eve., December 31, 1970. This bank act provided for the Eisenhower Dollar, for silverless half dollars; and authorized the disposition of 2.8 million silver dollars held in Treasury vaults. (Do you remember the GSA silver dollar sales?). The Eisenhower coin was destined to be the first dollar to bear the portrait of a president.

Title 31 US Code, Section 324 required that an eagle must appear on the design of coins in denominations of a quarter and above. Early on, Gasparro had begun to design a reverse for the Ike dollar featuring an American eagle similar to those found on other United States Coins. Congressman Robert "Bob" Casey (Dem-Texas) had amended the House Eisenhower Legislation in October, 1969, requiring the recognition of Apollo-11 on the coin's reverse. Congresswoman Leonor Sullivan (Dem-Missouri) joined her colleague in this amendment. It is not widely known that America's space program began under the Eisenhower Presidency, so this honor of our moon landing seemed appropriate for this dollar.



Gasparro, who had designed the reverse of the Lincoln Memorial Cent and the Kennedy Half Dollar, created an eagle for the Ike dollar like none before. It is truly a "space" eagle, swooping down on the moon and, as its designer Frank Gasparro described the tribute, "It's America's image to the world." The chief engraver created a design similar to the Apollo-11 insignia. The official Apollo emblem was prescribed by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration for the Apollo-11 lunar landing. Apollo-11 astronauts wore this insignia when they lifted off Pad 39A at the Kennedy Space Center in Florida, July 16, 1969. As the world looked on, Ohio Astronaut Neil Armstrong guided the spaceship christened "The Eagle", to its landing on Tranquility Base on July 20, 1969.



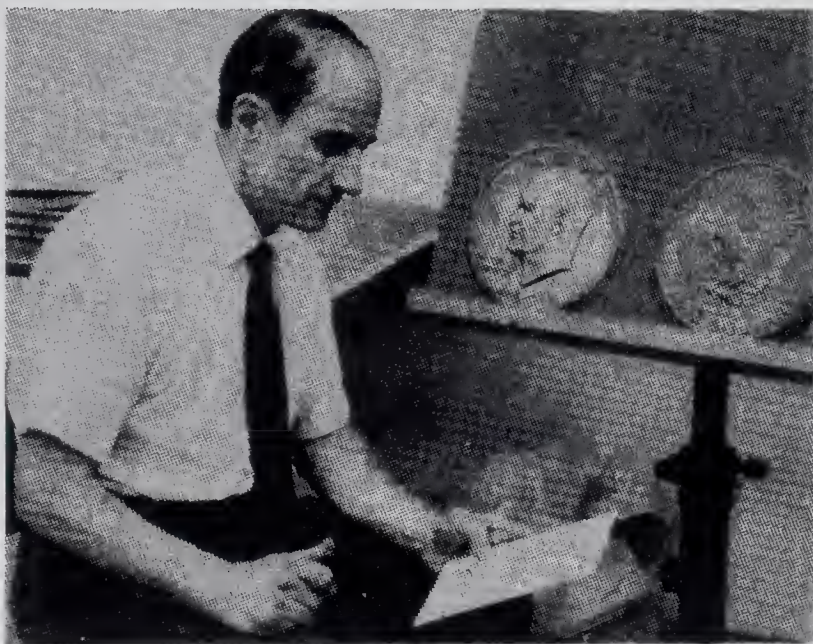
When Frank Gasparro started to design the eagle, he went to the zoo later returning to the Mint with a drawing of a very "fierce" bird. Upon seeing it, Mint Director Mary Brooks requested "A peaceful eagle", and Gasparro described his final sketch as a "pleasant looking eagle."

The "space" eagle, as seen on the reverse, is descending onto the lunar surface, carrying an olive branch in its claws, symbolic of peace. The planet earth appears above the eagle's head while the motto "E Pluribus Unum" is below. There are 13 stars representing the first states of the union and the words, "United States of America" and the denomination "one dollar."

The final design was quickly approved by President Nixon, the Fine Arts Commission, Treasury and Mint Officials along with Mamie Eisenhower. Asked if he was satisfied with the final design of the dollar, Gasparro answered, "Yes, I would not change anything if I had to do it over."

## THE EISENHOWER DOLLARS

With the plaster models for the obverse completed even before the coin was authorized, it is not surprising how quickly the mint was ready to prepare trials. The new coins were to be made in three distinct varieties: the cupro-nickel dollars agreed to by the pro-silver Senate for general circulation and the 40% silver uncirculated and the proof dollars agreed to by the anti-silver House to be sold at a premium to the collecting public. There had been a concern among government officials that the Eisenhower coins would not circulate based upon the experience of the hoarding of Kennedy half dollars. Readers will remember when these coins became available, millions were kept out of circulation because of the popularity of the assassinated president. Several million of the Kennedy halves ended up in Europe to be kept by the many admirers of the late President Kennedy. By issuing the separate collector varieties of the Eisenhower dollar, (40% silver uncirculated and proof specimens), the treasury officials hoped to avoid any repeat hoarding of these dollars. With plans to issue two to three hundred million cupro-nickel Ike dollars per year, it was believed there would be plenty of the large coins in our pocket change for many years to come.



Frank Gasparro, the Mint's Chief Engraver, created both the original obverse and reverse of the Eisenhower dollar.

The trial strike of the 40% silver dollar took place on January 25, 1971 at the Philadelphia Mint under the direction of Director Mary Brooks and a "first strike" committee. The two prototypes, it is believed, were destroyed after the striking. Plans went forward for the production of the new dollars. The general circulation pieces (cupro-nickel coins) were to be produced at the Philadelphia and Denver Mints. Those struck at Denver, would, of course, bear the "D" mintmark. The 40% silver uncirculated and proof versions were scheduled to be minted in San Francisco with the "S" mintmark.

Production of the silver coins got underway March 31, 1971 at the San Francisco Assay Office (now Mint). The first silver coins were the Uncirculated specimens priced at \$3 each to collectors. President Nixon presented the first strike to Mamie Eisenhower on July 27th at the White House. Mrs. Eisenhower had earlier been presented both obverse and reverse galvances by Frank Gasparro. The wife of the late president expressed her pleasure with the new dollar.

The original order forms for the 1971 dated Eisenhower dollars were sent to 33,000 banks and 44,000 post offices with instructions not to release the order blanks until June 18th. Orders received by the Mint prior to July 1, 1971 were returned as that date was the earliest any orders would be accepted. The mailing of the 1971 coins began on October 14th, which just happens to be the birthday of the late president. The delivery of the 1971 coins was not completed by the time the 1972 dollar orders were being accepted.

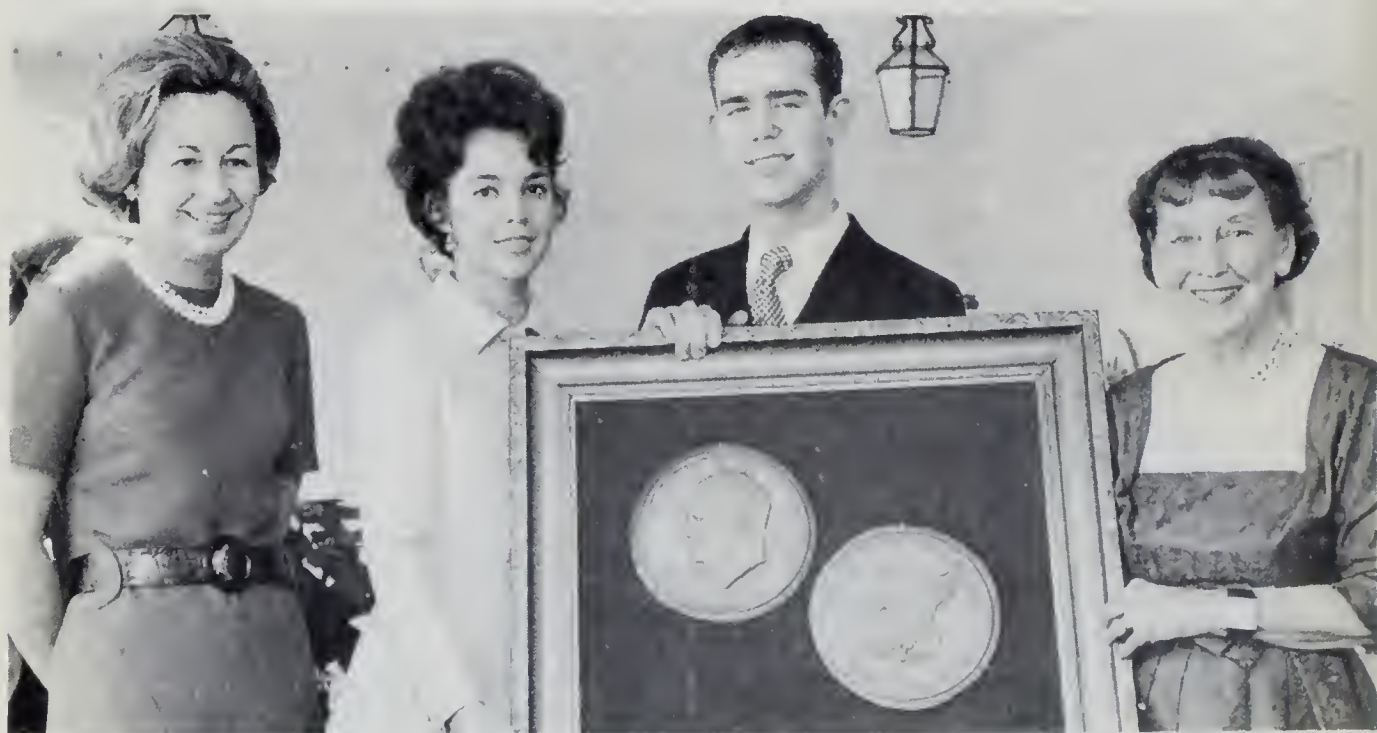
The mint records for the 1971 production are as follows:

#### CUPRO-NICKEL VARIETIES

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Philadelphia Mint ..... | 47,799,000 |
| Denver Mint .....       | 68,587,424 |

#### 40% SILVER SPECIMENS

|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| San Francisco Unc. ....   | 6,868,530 |
| San Francisco Proof ..... | 4,265,234 |



Sun porch of the Eisenhower farm home was the scene of presentation of the Eisenhower dollar galvano to Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower, widow of the 34th president. Admiring the galvanos of the dollar, designed by Frank Gasparro, are (from left) Mrs. John Eisenhower; Julie and David Eisenhower; and Mrs. Mamie Eisenhower.

In August of 1972 and during the *American Numismatic Association's* Convention in New Orleans, Mint Director Mary Brooks announced changes on the reverse of the Eisenhower Dollar beginning with the 1972 dated coins. Some new technology permitted better work with the steel dies at the mint. This technology eliminated the sinking tendencies which were encountered earlier when the mint employees tried to strike the cupro-nickel clad dollars with the high relief dies. The new dollar reverse was minted only at the Philadelphia Mint.

Order forms for proof 1972 dollars began to be accepted on May 1, 1972 and the order forms for the \$3 uncirculated specimens were accepted on August 1, 1972. At ten dollars for the proof specimen and three dollars for the uncirculated pieces, the collecting public



continued to complain that the costs were far too high. The collector, they argued, was a victim of the government who, after all, had a monopoly on the sale of these coins. Hearings were scheduled by congress and on May 10th it was revealed that the net profit on the sales of 1971 Ike dollars had been \$40,401,669 with gross sales of \$58,213,322. At these same hearings, former Secretary of the Treasury, John B. Connally told the Senate Appropriations Committee, "The profit we're making on sales of the Eisenhower dollar is just unconscionable."

The mint records for the 1972 production are as follows:

CUPRO-NICKEL VARIETIES

|                         |            |
|-------------------------|------------|
| Philadelphia Mint ..... | 75,890,000 |
| Denver Mint .....       | 92,548,511 |

40% SILVER SPECIMENS

|                           |           |
|---------------------------|-----------|
| San Francisco Unc. ....   | 2,193,056 |
| San Francisco Proof ..... | 1,811,631 |

End of Part I - *To Be Continued*

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*Remembering . . .*

**BARBARA HYDE**



Barbara Abbott Hyde died at her home in Rochester, Minnesota - Saturday, December 10, 1988. She was a resident of Charter House, a retirement community.

Barbara was a medallic sculptor whose interests spread to all ramifications of the profession. She has been the editor of numerous numismatic publications, including *Cal Coin News* and the *Numismatic Digest*. She has been the recipient of numerous honors, including being the first to receive *The President's Award of*

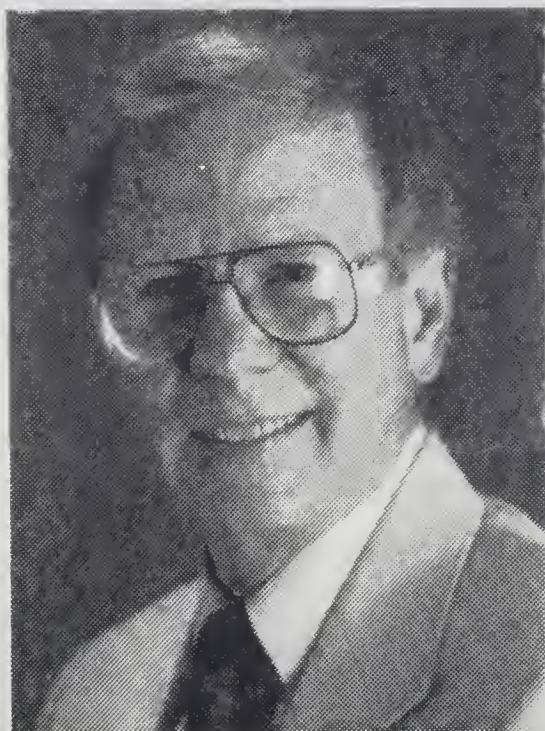
*Merit* from the University of Nebraska, *The Medal of Merit* from the California State Numismatic Association, and *The Best Regional Publication Award* from the American Numismatic Association. She was also appointed chairperson of the United States Assay Commission and has earned a number of *Best in Show* and first place awards in medallic art exhibits.

Barbara was born of Roscoe C. Abbott and Hazel G. Abbott on December 16, 1914, in Wood River, Nebraska. She grew up in Lincoln, Nebraska where her father was professor of chemistry at the University. She graduated from the University of Nebraska in 1936 with a BA in Architecture. In 1936 she married Paul W. Rader and is the mother of two children: Bruce A. Rader and N. Lee Rader. She worked with her husband in the practice of Architecture for a number of years before becoming immersed in numismatics. She founded a monthly coin magazine, *The Western Coin Collector* in 1964, merging it with the *Numismatic Digest* in 1965. Divorced, she subsequently married Richard Hyde in 1967. Although crippled by a sacral tumor in 1979, she continued to work in the field until moving to Charter House in 1987.

She is survived by her two sons, Bruce and Lee, and by her brother, Albert Abbott.



## Who's Who in Cal-State Numismatics



**KEN BRESSETT**  
CSNA #5204

Ken Bressett is a well-known authority in several areas of numismatics, including Early American and British Empire coinages. Through a 30-year career, he has written extensively on collecting and investing in rare coins and related numismatic material.

Ken joined the *ANA's* Colorado Springs headquarters staff in 1982 as director of the organization's certification service (*ANACS*), and became Education and Mediation Services Director two years later.

Before joining *ANA*, Mr. Bressett was Vice President of Numismatic Services for a large Midwestern numismatic investment firm for two years. The preceding 20 years, he had been associated with Western Publishing Co. of Racine, WI, as director of numismatic products. In that post he served as coordinating editor of Richard Yeoman's "*A Guide Book of United States Coins*", commonly called "*the Red Book*" by coin hobbyists and investors.

He also authored numerous articles and several other collector's reference books, including "*Basics of Coin Grading*

*for U. S. Coins*", "*Buying and Selling United States Coins*", "*The Guide Book of English Coins*", and "*Let's Collect Coins*." In 1962 he teamed up with Eric P. Newman as co-author of "*The Fantastic 1804 Dollar*". In 1977, he coordinated the editing and publishing of *ANA's* official grading standards book.

He has also done extensive research on Early American coins, and serves on the *A.N.S.* standing committee for Far Eastern Coinage.

The recent Director of Education Programs for the *ANA*, Ken was involved in the publication of numismatic information in all forms from books to TV and video programs. His most unusual project took him to the bottom of the ocean in search of the sunken treasure on the ship *Atocha*.

He was a featured speaker at the 19th *CSNA Symposium* in March, 1987. His topic, *The Sunken Treasure of the Atocha*, was highlighted by colored slides of the treasure recovered. If that wasn't enough to spark the interest of the crowd of over 125, he injected stories on how he learned to scuba dive, the thrill of handling a piece while it was still encrusted with coral, and how it felt being a modern day treasure hunter.

He is a life member of the *American Numismatic Association*, a Fellow of the *American Numismatic Society*, and the *Royal Numismatic Society of England*. In 1966, President Johnson appointed him to the U. S. Assay Commission, and in 1978 *ANA* honored him with its Medal of Merit award.

Ken resigned from the *ANA* on September 9, 1988 to accept a position as Vice President and Director of Numismatic Services with Premier Coin Investments, 15025 Glazier Avenue South, Apple Valley, MN, 55124. His new position includes a multitude of duties, one being the company's public spokesman. He will also be involved in public relations, attend conventions to represent the company, work with the customers to develop coin



portfolios and write literature. His diversified duties, along with writing, giving talks, doing promotions will allow him to work out of his home.

Colorado Springs home, as they "just couldn't move away from these beautiful mountains."

— By Virginia Hall

He and his wife will continue to call

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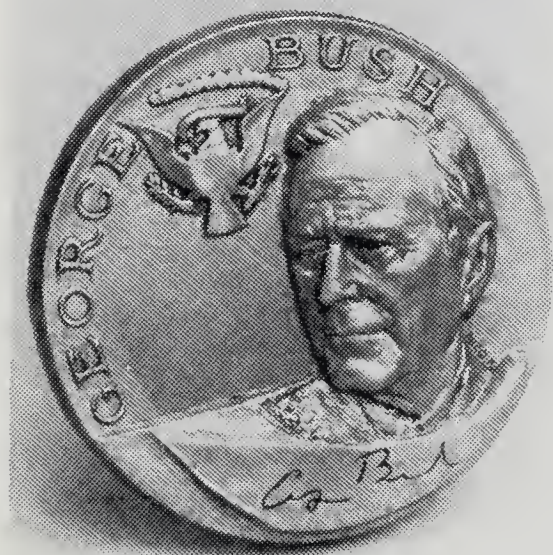
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# INAUGURAL MEDALS — FROM GEORGE TO GEORGE

By: ALBERT K. HALL — CSNA LM-21-6

A tradition that began when George Washington wore special buttons engraved with the arms of the new government at his Inaugural ceremony continues 200 years later with a commemorative medal honoring the Inauguration of the 41st president of the U. S., George Herbert Walker Bush.

The first medallion commemorating the Inauguration of George Bush was struck on December 12, 1988 by Medallion Art Company of Danbury, CT. The medal, available in various sizes in bronze, silver and gold, was designed and sculpted by Mico Kaufman. Since the first Inaugural medal was crafted to commemorate President Washington's Inauguration in 1789, Inaugural medals have become popular collectors' items available for purchase by the public.



**OBVERSE:** A portrait of George Bush framed at shoulder height, includes his signature and the presidential seal eagle.

**REVERSE:** A relief of the 19½-foot high Statue of Freedom, sculpted in 1862 by Thomas Crawford and placed atop the Capitol Dome in 1863. Also included are fifty stars and the inscription, "*On January 20 of the year 1989 we Inaugurate our 41st president, and observe the 200th anniversary of presidential Inaugurals.*"

Tradition dictates that for a president's first Inauguration, commemorative medals feature a portrait of only the president. When a president is elected to a second term, the Inaugural medal then carries a profile of both the president and the vice-president.

## SOME INTERESTING INAUGURAL FACTS

**1789** — The first Inaugural medal, known as the Manly Medal, was minted by Jaques Manly of Philadelphia to commemorate the Inauguration of George Washington. The medal was designed by Samuel Brooks and was available in a "fine white metal, to resemble silver" (tin); a "fine gold-colored medal" (bronze); and silver. The medal was actually minted a few months following the Inauguration and offered for sale by *The Pennsylvania Packet and Daily Advertiser*.



Also created for the Washington inauguration were buttons bearing the arms of the new government for the new president wear. Similar buttons were manufactured as commemoratives by button makers in New York and Connecticut. Designs included, an eagle surrounded by a sunburst symbolizing the birth of the new government; an endless chain of thirteen links, each bearing the initials of the first president; and the inscription "*Long Live the President*", in reference to the concluding statement of Chancellor Livingston at the Washington Inaugural ceremony, "Long Live George Washington, President of the United States."

#### GEORGE WASHINGTON INAUGURAL BUTTONS



Eagle with date  
Brass, 34 mm  
Alphaneus H. Albert



"GW" with linked states border  
Brass, 34 mm  
Private collection



"GW" in oval center  
Brass, 34 mm  
Private collection

**1801** — Thomas Jefferson, the first president to be Inaugurated in Washington, D.C. was presented with an Inaugural medal designed by the German-born artist John Reich.

**1889** — The first Inaugural medals to be given as keepsakes were minted for the Centennial Inaugural celebration — that of President Benjamin Harrison.

**1905** — The Inaugural medal designed for President Theodore Roosevelt by sculptor Saint-Gaudens was the first to display the now-standard eagle motif on the reverse.

**1929** — In an effort to protect the tradition of presidential medals President Hoover's Inaugural committee sold medals as commemoratives. That year approximately 1,000 medals were sold at a profit to the committee.

**1945** — For President Roosevelt's fourth Inauguration, with the country at war, funds could not be appropriated for the production of Inaugural medals. Costs to mint the medals were underwritten by Ambassador Joseph E. Davies, Chairman of the Inaugural Committee.

**1949** — Harry S. Truman's Inauguration in 1949 launched the first national sale of Inaugural medals, with 7,900 medals sold. With this effort the tradition of financing the Inaugural celebrations through the sale of commemoratives began.

**1960** — Since the election between John F. Kennedy and Richard Nixon was expected to be close, a die was cast for each presidential candidate. Once President Kennedy was elected, the die for the Republican candidate Richard M. Nixon was donated to the Republican National Committee.

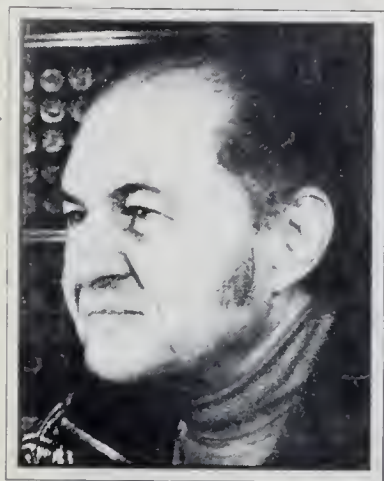
**1969** — The medal produced for Richard Nixon's first Inauguration proved so popular that more than 78,000 bronze and 15,000 silver medals were sold. The medal was designed by sculptor Ralph Menconi and displayed the Great Seal of the United States as it was embroidered by his daughter Julie.

**1981** — President Reagan was the first President to be sworn in on the West Front of the Capitol. This change of tradition was captured on the reverse of the 1981 Inaugural medal.

**1985** — For the second Inauguration of President Reagan, sculptor Mico Kaufman designed a medal which included profiles of both President Reagan and Vice-President George Bush on the obverse.

*REFERENCE: The Bicentennial Inaugural Committee  
The President's Medal, 1789-1977 — Neil MacNeil*

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**ABOUT THE SCULPTOR**

Mico Kaugman, whose designs for the 1989 George Bush Inaugural Medal were approved by the American Bicentennial Presidential Inaugural Committee, was chosen Sculptor of the Year by the American Numismatic Society in 1978. He has designed several previous Inaugural Medals, including the 1973 Gerald Ford Vice Presidential medal, the 1974 Gerald Ford Presidential medal, and the 1985 Reagan-Bush Inaugural Medal.

Kaufman studied Art at the Aeademy of Fine Arts in Rome and Florence, Italy, and his works have frequently been displayed in New England, where he makes his home.

The stunning Inaugural portrait of George Bush marks another high point in Mr. Kaufman's long and illustrious career.

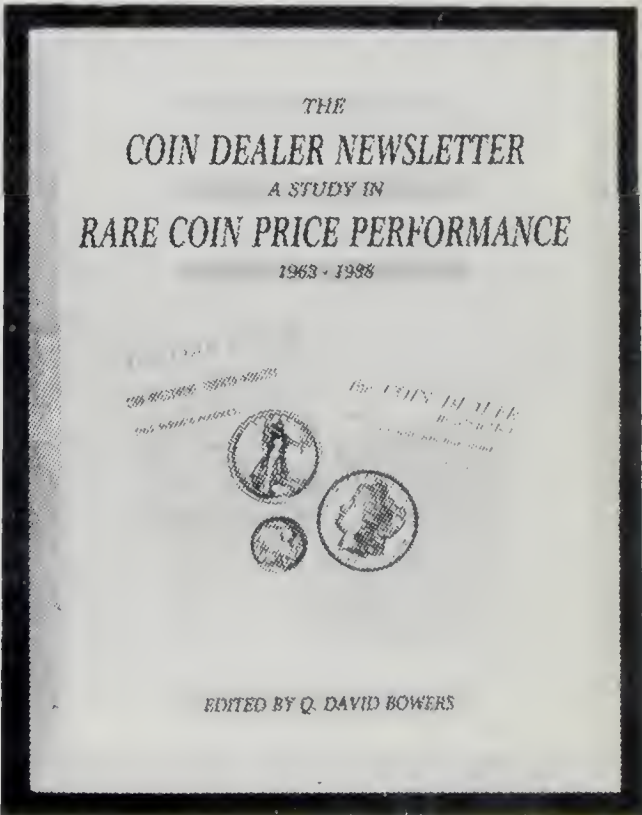
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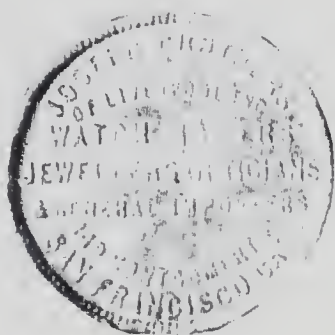


# SAN FRANCISCO THROUGH ITS TOKENS: The Joseph Brothers

By: Jerry F. Schimmel  
CSNA - 4850

Between 1854 and 1880, two Englishmen operated a watchmakers shop at 149 Montgomery Street. Before then it had been at 175 Clay Street, beginning in 1851, a bare three years after the discovery of gold at Coloma. The firm later moved to 607 Montgomery Street.

During their tenancy at number 149, a 28mm bronze "store-card" was issued by the firm, and another was made for the shop's third site. None has been recorded for the earlier address.



The Piece shown here announces: JOSEPH BROTHERS of LIVERPOOL, ENGLD. WATCHMAKERS, JEWELLERS, OPTICIANS & GENERAL IMPORTERS. On the reverse it reads: THE CHEAPEST HOUSE IN CALIFORNIA FOR GOOD WATCHES, DIAMONDS, JEWELLERY, SILVER WARE, CUTLERY &c &c.

No research has been done on the lives of these two merchants, but their piece, among a few others, is one of the earliest tokens from California. The token is typical of the kind made by numerous 19th century diesinkers of Birmingham, England, and was unquestionably shipped "around the Horn". The token depicted has considerable wear and may also have served as a form of necessity coinage. While information is not available, it seems reasonable to assume that there was a shortage of small change in the early years of San Francisco.

The piece is somewhat larger than the U.S. large cent of the day. The practice of merchants issuing their own "coins" was quite prevalent in the British Isles of the mid-19th century. Nor was the principle unknown in this country as Hard Times Tokens had been in wide circulation on the east coast only a decade before the Josephs set up shop.

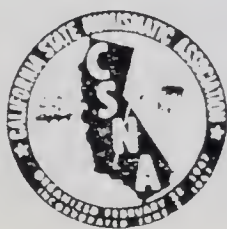
However another major use of such pieces besides that of business cards was as gaming counters, although such merchant-issued counters had devises and legends resembling those of the gold pieces of the day.

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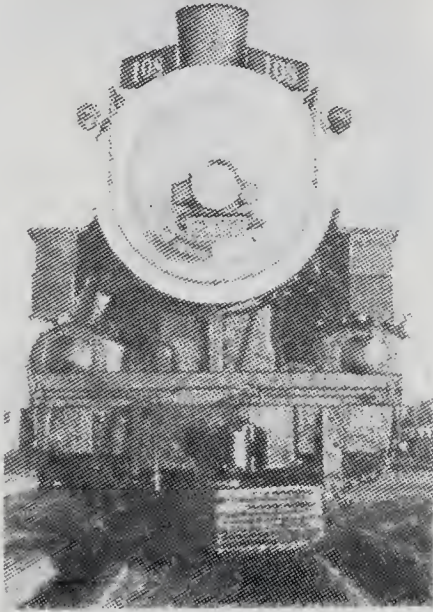
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## HERE COMES THE TRAIN

Depicted on the 84th convention medal is the former Southern Pacific Locomotive #2472. The locomotive was selected for the medal due to its colorful history not only in the western states, but especially on the San Francisco peninsula. The medal design is the joint effort of General Chairman David Cieniewicz and Peter Kunedt. Mr. Kunedt is a member of and official photographer for Project #2472, Inc.



The Southern Pacific line accepted delivery of the P-8 class locomotives from the Baldwin Locomotive Works in May, 1921. The locomotives immediately became the most versatile of their time due to numerous innovations. They have a history of pulling famous trains such as the Pacific Limited and the Overland Limited. During their later years, the P-8 class locomotives were used for the commuter runs on the San Francisco peninsula.

In 1975, a group of former American Freedom Train volunteers formed Project #2472, Inc., a non-profit, tax-exempt organization dedicated to restoring Locomotive No. 2472 to full operating condition. The group now consists of members from all walks of life ... machinists and boiler-makers to housewives and pharmacists.

Project #2472 will have an information table at the convention.

Membership information is available by writing Project #2472, Inc., P.O. Box 3315, Redwood City, CA 94064.

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# ALL ABOARD FOR SAN MATEO

May 5-7, 1989

Word has just been received from General Chairman Dave Cieniewicz that the 84th convention committee is building up steam and getting ready to roll. If that sounds like railroad jargon, welcome aboard, and join us in San Mateo.

The general theme for the 84th convention is railroading and Locomotive #2472 which is depicted on the convention medal. For those interested in learning more about Locomotive #2472, join us at the luncheon on Friday. A representative from Project #2472, Inc., will enlighten everyone in regard to the past history and future plans for the locomotive. This will certainly be an event that you will not want to miss. Kay Lenker will be the Mistress of Ceremonies at the Saturday night Banquet.

Bourse Chairman Ken Barr has been busy lining up a full slate of dealers. The 55 professional dealers will be offering a full complement of numismatic items beginning Friday morning. The education forum Friday evening is sure to be one of the highlights of the 84th convention. Two speakers will discuss the coins and tokens of San Francisco. David Lange will give a presentation on the history and coinage of the San Francisco Mint. Dave is a native San Franciscan and is sure to hold the audience's attention. Complementing Dave's talk will be Jerry Schimmel who will be showing slides on the tokens of San Francisco. Jerry is a noted dealer and author of several volumes on world tokens. The Forum Moderator will be Dr. Thomas Fitzgerald of Covina, CA.

The exhibits will be handled by Marian Sinton. If you wish to participate, contact: Marian at CSNA, P.O. Box 2698, Redwood City, CA 94064.

The Dunfey Hotel has been selected as the site for the CSNA 84th Semi-Annual Convention and Coin Show. Conveniently located next to U.S. 101 and Highway 92, the Dunfey offers comfortable rooms with ample FREE parking. For convention attendees arriving by air, a 24-hour courtesy van is available and can be called by using the Dunfey courtesy phone located in the baggage claim area of the San Francisco International Airport.

The Dunfey is offering a special convention rate of \$65 for a single or double. To take advantage of this special rate, mention CSNA and make your reservations by April 4, 1989.





## 83rd CONVENTION PHOTOS

### Red Lion, Ontario — 1988



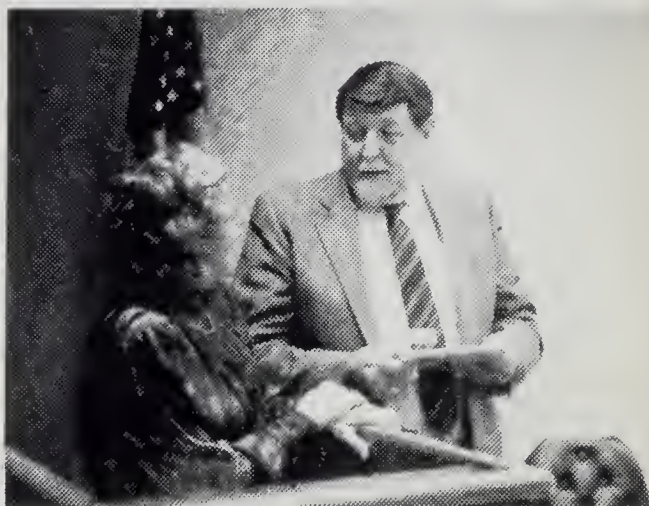
John Lenker opening surprise gift for his Odd and Curious money collection. This was courtesy of Ralph "Curly" Mitchell.



CSNA president, Dorothy Baber, presents John Lenker with a well deserved silver Medal of Merit.



Bill Grant, president of *SBCCC*, the host club, presents convention theme award to Ethel Lenhart.



CSNA president, Dorothy Baber, presents Bill Grant with General Chairman's set of convention medals.



General Chairman Bill Grant presenting John Lenker with special award for his super of Odd and Curious display.





## NORTH of the TEHACHAPIS

By: LORELIE FULWIDER, CSNA NA-3163

Dear Readers: Because I have been so busy trying to "clean up my desk" prior to my retirement, I have asked Ed Fulwider to act as editor of *North of the Tehachapis* for this issue. I'll see you next time.

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— Lorelie

### GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY

Of Jefferson Nickel A Golden Success For  
VALLEJOS NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

VNS's long anticipated *Thomas Jefferson Nickel Night* honoring 50 years of that coin proved once again that "good things are worth waiting for" by drawing the largest attendance in years. While President Mike Turrini presided over 24 members and 21 guests who heard a stirring presentation of *Thomas Jefferson Master Statesman* by Dr. Fred Stripp, former Professor of Rhetoric at UC Berkely. 40 of those in attendance won *MS-65 1950-D Jefferson Nickels* as door prizes.

Other recent VNS activities include the annual *White Elephant Sale* and election of 1989 officers who are: Mike Stanley, President; Harold Salas, Vice President; Mike Turrini, Treasurer; and Moses Reis, Secretary.

### SACRAMENTO VALLEY COIN CLUB TO FEATURE BREEN

One of the stars of *SVCC's 31st Annual Coin-o-Rama* held at Cal Expo - October 22-23 was internationally respected numismatic author Walter Breen who had a special table both days where he discussed the nuances of numismatics with attendees and autographed copies of his books for them.

Seven *SVCC* members were among the exhibitors with the following results: Adults — FIRST - James Peoples: *Dollar Coins of the United States*; SECOND - Timothy Lewis: *How Good is "Good"?*; THIRD - Madera de la Secoya: *Israeli Commemorative Bronze Medals*. Honorable mention awards went to Greg Hereford: *20th Century Type Set*; Troy Thompson: *Coins of Europe*; and Roy L. Sperr: *Poipourri*. The Junior FIRST went to Mike Lewis: *Eisenhower, the Coin*.

The October meeting of *SVCC* featured John Gomer who discussed coins issued during the last part of *Severan Dynasty of Ancient Rome*. In November, David Showers presented a program on *Private and Pioneer Coinage*.

### SAN FRANCISCO COIN CLUB Mourns Passing Of PAUL SNEDEKER

Members of *SFCC* had some of the luster and joy of the holiday season diminished by the news of the death on December 9, 1988 of charter member Paul Snedeker. Paul had fallen and cracked his right hip and died of a heart attack while in the hospital. Paul was not only a charter member, but through the years had held various officer positions in *SFCC* and both he and his wife Carol were of tremen-

dous support and strength to the club. A few years back Carol and Paul issued a wooden nickel to commemorate the occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. Paul will be missed but not forgotten.

In October, Hans Hansson spoke on Swedish coins and their history. November's meeting was the Annual White Elephant Sale, a fun event for all and a profit for the club's treasury.

#### ALAMEDA COIN CLUB NOMINATES CSNA YOUNG NUMISMATISTS

While many of *CSNA's* member clubs annually nominate some of their junior members for the *CSNA YN* Program, the *Alameda Coin Club* seems to be taking a position that all of us "old time collectors" can appreciate and should commend *ACC* for. They recognize that the future of numismatics is in the hands of the fewer and fewer youths that are being attracted to our hobby. *YN* activities are an integral part of *ACC* programs and it was only after a period of deep soul searching that Joshua Hoover and Johnathan Cervelli were nominated for the *CSNA YN* Program. Competition was so close that *ACC* is hoping to obtain a third membership on behalf of Jason Dugan through one of the other bay area coin clubs. Congratulations are due *ACC* for placing such emphasis on youth activities and backing their junior members to the hilt.

New officers for *ACC* for 1989 are: President, Mike Neicoff; Vice President, George Cervelli; Treasurer, Willard Spiersch; Secretary, Hallie Koonce. Dan Hoover will be the new editor of the monthly bulletin, "*The Thick and Thin Times*".

Members of *San Francisco Coin Club* joined *Alameda Coin Club* in the Greater Bay Area Second Annual Dinner to celebrate the successful coin show recently held jointly by the two clubs.

The October coin quiz was won by Dan Hoover and Egan Tymn and the November quiz had as winners: Don Barsi and again Egan Tymn. Not hard to figure out who does his home work.

#### FEBRUARY TO BE INSTALLING . . . IN JANUARY

*Fresno Numismatic Society* will hold its Annual Installation Banquet at the Outpost Restaurant in January at which time the following officers will be installed for 1989: President, Bill February; Vice President, Phil Pletner; Secretary, Ruth Phillips; Treasurer, Dick Bier; and Editor, John Peters.

*FNS's* November program consisted of a "Show and Tell" with members talking about their purchases at *PNS* October Coin-O-Rama. The December program was the annual Christmas Party. Many members brought toys to donate to the Salvation Army's Toys for Tots Program.

#### QUIET MEETINGS AT . . . FREMONT COIN CLUB?

The October and November bulletins from *FCC* indicate no speakers or program other than "Show and Tell" by members, plans for the coming Christmas Party and a slate of officers for the next year. Election results will be posted in the next issue of *Calcoin News*. Don Barsi is the new club librarian.

#### "SAWBONES" SCARES THE DEVIL OUT OF DIABLO MEMBERS

Dr. Howard Lonsdale, member of many Bay Area coin clubs and a much sought after speaker addressed *The Diablo Numismatic Society* at their September meeting. His subject dealt with surgical tools used by Doctors in the not too distant past. He brought many items from his large personal collection of antique surgical instruments and he gave demonstrations on their use. Some of these instruments were down-right scary. Those in attendance now know the origin of the term "sawbones" when referring to a doctor.

The October meeting heard Stan Turrini present his excellent talk on the *Iowa Commemorative Half Dollar*. November was "Show and Tell" month.



## ADVENTURES & MISADVENTURES AT "ANA" SEMINAR

Last spring in a random drawing of its members *San Jose Coin Club* awarded two all expense trips to the annual ANA Seminar at Pueblo, Colorado. Dave Lange was the adult winner and Chris Archer was the junior winner. At the November meeting Dave presented an outline of the various programs available at the seminar and showed slides taken at the event. Chris gave an accounting of his misadventures caused by arriving a day early for the seminar. He also sketched the activities for the junior collectors at the week-long seminar.

The October program featured Ed Sins on the subject of *Cob Money of Mexico and Peru*. The December meeting featured the annual Christmas Party. Junior member Daniel Cutforth won the \$60.00 membership prize, the second time he has been so lucky. The reason for the big prize was that fact that the monthly attendance prize had not been won all year. This time they drew names until they had a winner present.

## GATEWAY PUTS MEMBERSHIP'S NUMISMATIC KNOWLEDGE TO THE TEST

Among its recent activities *Gateway Coin Club* list a Team Quiz utilizing 103 question answers compiled by John Hoffman. Other nights featured Bingo and their Annual Holiday Banquet held at the Mansion House in Merced.

*Gateway's* new officers are: President, Joel Anderson; Vice President Program Chairman, John Hoffman; Secretary, Belinda Wilson; and Treasurer, Bill Jones.

## DELTA GOES FOR THE GOLD

*Delta Coin Club's* annual Coin Show held October 15-16 was once again a Gold Medal Winner. The Sunday drawing featured 15 gold coins. Ruben Smith, Jr. sold 810 raffle tickets, followed by Howard Wesely and Ray Colver with 510 and 500 respectively. Any club would welcome workers like those three. As an incentive to sell tickets *DCC* awards a free ticket to the annual installation dinner to every member who sells 30 or more tickets and everyone who sells 100 or more can bring

a guest. This might be something other clubs should consider; it sure works for *Delta*. Checking their sales figures showed that 27 members qualified for the free ticket and 10 of those members could bring a guest.

## PENINSULA USES INCENTIVE . . . SYSTEM

*Peninsula Coin Club* seems to be taking a page from *Delta Coin Club's* operating manual by offering a special club medal struck in oxidized copper (maximum mintage of 60) for each book of 10 tickets sold before their annual coin show. *PCC's* January meeting will feature an auction for two sets of "off metal" 1988 club medals. Mintage of these medals is 4 each and bids can be for complete sets or individual medals.

## REDWOOD EMPIRE CHANGES MEETING DATES AS WELL AS LEADERSHIP

Because of conflicts with some members schedules *Redwood Empire Coin Club* changed its meeting night from the first Wednesday of the month to the fourth Wednesday in hopes of incurring larger turnouts. Despite a conflict with another coin club show on the same date and heavy rain *RECC's* recent annual coin show was deemed a success. Hopefully some day *CSNA* will have a master calendar that will list all up-coming shows for at least a year in advance. I don't believe large organizations holding 3 or 4 day shows at opposite ends of the state hurt each other too badly. However when small clubs hold their local "one day shows" in close proximity to another club's show, the treasury of both clubs are hurt and often a year's work is for naught. This was the recent case with *Redwood Empire* and *Peninsula Coin Club's* show. A third small local club had also scheduled their show for the same date, but were able to change the date at the last minute. Although both of aforementioned clubs thought their shows were satisfactory, how much more financially rewarding could they have been without this conflict and competition?

*RECC's* new officers for 1989 are: President, Don Homesley; Vice President, Syd Perlman; and Treasurer, Helen Roberts.

## CUPERTINO GAMBLES ON . . . ACQUISTAPACE

Gary Acquistapace, *Cupertino Coin Club's* award winning exhibitor, speaker of reknown and world traveler did not have to travel very far for the show and tell part of his talk to the CCC in November. Gary educated and entertained members with a talk on *Nevada Gaming Tokens*. He reviewed the history of the tokens first produced in 1965 after the "silver" silver dollars disappeared. He exhibited many different tokens showing the various medals and metals used in the Nevada slots.

CCC's annual Youth Night was a huge success with the meeting run very smoothly by Youth Vice President, Michael Baer. Youth Speeches were presented by Nathan Miller on the "*Coins of Israel*"; Joseph Wandry on "*Space Medals*"; and Michael Baer on "*Coins of the Carribean*". Each of the Youth Members did an excellent job of researching their material and presenting their speeches. Kudos to these young people and to the CCC for stressing the YN Program.

*Cupertino's* Fourth Annual Banquet was a rousing success with 53 members and guest enjoying an evening of good fellowship, good food and good fun.

Other recent CCC activities include the November Numismatic Literature Auction and annual Christmas Party in December.

## FAIRFIELD HONORS JOE SIROSIS

*Fairfield Coin Club* recently presented its highest honor, the "*Rich Neily Memorial Award*" to President Joe Sirosis who has served as President since 1984. Joe, the fourth recipient of this award was not even a coin collector per se nor was he present when his name was placed in nomination, yet under his guidance for the past five years the club has grown and prospered.

The Second Annual Joint Christmas Party of the *Fairfield Coin Club* and the *Vallejo Numismatic Society* drew 101 members and guests for a gala fun-filled evening. Other coin clubs represented at the affair were members of *Peninsula*, *Cupertino*, *San Jose*, *Alameda*, *Napa*,

*San Francisco* and *Redwood Empire*. Since *Fairfield* and *Vallejo* work so well together, perhaps I would be remiss in not mentioning that at *Vallejo's* recent Jefferson Nickel Night, not only were members of *Fairfield Coin Club* present, but also representatives of *Cupertino*, *Delta*, *San Jose*, *Peninsula*, *San Francisco*, *Sacramento Valley* and the *Pacific Coast Numismatic Society*. Southern Californians aren't the only ones with multiple club memberships and interlocking support for each other.

Other FCC activities of late include Dirk Smit's presentation of "*The Unsinkable Ship*" - the *Titanic* in October, a White Elephant Sale in November and Mike Turrini's "*Iowa Commemorative Half Dollar*" in September.

*Fairfield* is definitely an active club but when re-reading their bulletins for information for this column I notice an awful lot of "Press" is given to the "goodies" members bring to eat at each meeting. That, along with the annual Potluck Dinner and Christmas Party makes one wonder if *Fairfield's* main interest is numismatics or food. C'nnon folks, I'm only kidding. A review of *Fairfield's* programs for the last year show an active assortment of programs including numismatic quizzes and at least six guest speakers on numismatic subjects. It's just that their great bulletins make me hungry.

## COIN CLUBS WOULD DO WELL TO PATTERN THEIR SPEAKERS AFTER CIENIEWICZ

*Liberty Numismatic Society* had as their November speaker Dave Cieniewiez. As is his custom, Dave gave a well researched, extremely entertaining and informative program on one of his favorite subjects, *Pattern Coins*. He had several examples for the club to examine.

LNS has re-elected Dave Lange as President as well as the following officers for 1989: Vice President, Joan Crummey; Secretary, Marian Sinton; Treasurer, Carl Pastors; and Board Members: Bill Davis, Dave Cieniewiez, Jim Rosen and Don Burns.



## ALL GOLD CHRISTMAS IN NAPA

81 members and guests were present at the December meeting of the *Napa Valley Coin Club*. Five membership and six raffle prizes were awarded, all gold coins. The evening's festivities included a Dessert Potluck which was spectacular and probably accounted for more than a few New Year's resolutions involving strict diets.

## NO SECRETS AT PACIFIC COAST NUMISMATIC SOCIETY

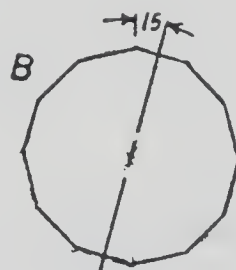
At a recent *PCNS* meeting the members were the program as each of them reported on the best or worst numismatic "find" in

their experience and what they learned from that experience. They were cheered and envied on their triumphs and comforted in their embarrassment (by others sharing their own).

Under the title, "*A Piece of Numismatic Plastic*", Dave Cieniewicz described the process, cost, time and results of submitting a pattern coin to *PCGS* for evaluation.

Editors Dave and Becky Cieniewicz are upbeat about interest in the *PCNS Journal* around the world. Their correspondents include numismatic leaders from Belgium, Cuba, India, Mexico, Poland and Paraguay.

## THE COIN WITH A MESSAGE



This 1943 Canadian "V" Nickel is a tribute to Samuel B. Morse, the inventor of the Morse Code and the telegraph system (1843). The Tombac Nickel of 1943 with the coded inscription: "*We win when we work willingly*," was issued just 100 years after Mr. Samuel F. B. Morse was granted a patent on his invention.

The message on the Canadian Five Cent piece is in the International or Continental Code and not the Morse Code.

This is the first die made entirely at the Royal Canadian Mint and its 12 sided position differs from the English 12 sides coin by a - 15 degree turn.

At first tombac was used which is an 88 percent copper, 12 percent zinc mixture that replaced nickel which was needed in the war effort. Copper and zinc were also needed, therefore the tombac was discontinued. Most of the 1942-43 tombac pieces were melted, then the 5-cent piece was made of steel in 1944-45. This coin represents an interesting episode in Canadian history.

Reference: Morton F. Reed  
*A Patriotic Nickel* - Michael Reiter



## SOUTH of the TEHACHAPIS

By: DR. SHELBY WAGNER, CSNA N3590

### THE ENVELOP, PLEASE

Jack Reeves of the *Fontana United Numismatists* was the winner of the "People's Choice" display in 1988. His display of Red Cross Buttons was outstanding.

### HAIL, HAIL, THE GANG'S ALL HERE

The *San Diego Numismatic Society* has again approved chartering a bus to the CSNA Symposium in Fullerton, March 11th. The cost is only five dollars.

### A FUN—D RAISER

The *Verdugo Hills Coin Club* made approximately \$115 from their annual White Elephant Sale.

### NOW DOING BUSINESS AS

John Glover, a Past President in several clubs and active in both *Whittier* and *Covina*, has opened "The New Store" in Hacienda Heights. The entire family is involved in this endeavor. Those interested in coins, stamps, baseball cards and Knapp shoes should stop by the business at 15930 E. Halbertson and say hello.

### A LITTLE WORD GOES A LONG WAY

The *Long Beach Coin Club* donated approximately forty-five new and used numismatic books to the Long Beach Public Library. These books were brought to the November meeting and donated to the club. The books were screened by the Library officials to insure quality reference materials, as well as satisfactory condition for shelving.

The *Santa Barbara Coin Club* presented copies of Walter Breen's book to the various libraries in that city. The branches were so appreciative, the club has allocated two hundred dollars toward the purchase of additional books.

As one who values libraries and faithfully utilizes them, I especially applaud these two clubs. It is one method of keeping the hobby intact.

### MAKE YOUR PLANS

September 12, 1989 will mark the 30th anniversary of the *Whittier Coin Club*. Plans are under way for a special celebration. The club asks if you have any ideas to please share.

### A DESIGN FOR YOU

The *Verdugo Hills Coin Club* has selected Rich Gordon's design for their 25th anniversary medal. Congratulations, Rich.

### PLAYING AROUND WITH . . . PLAY MONEY

The Los Angeles Teacher's Credit Union issued a set of pLA Money to each member of the Credit Union. The set was designed to teach money concepts with students. Each kit contains 100 bills in denominations of \$1, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50 and \$100. Some 160,000 bills with a face value of over 3-1/3 million dollars were issued.

### SILVER AND SPLENDID

The *Redlands Coin Club* recently celebrated their 25th Anniversary. Member Nelda Stuck wrote a very interesting



article about the club and found it published in a local newspaper December 20th. Initiative such as this increases awareness and membership. Good going, *Redlands*.

### RECOVERING

Sorry to hear of Jean Ellis' broken foot, John Colls' hospitalization, Roy Robbins' hospitalization, Dorothy Andersons' illness, and all numismatists who suffered through the flu season. To all of you, get well quickly.

### TAKE A LOOK

The *Santa Monica Historical Society* has a new museum that may be worth a visit. There are many token and medal exhibits on display. For time and location, please call (213)828-2170 or (213)394-2605.

### A FAMILY AFFAIR

The *San Bernardino Coin Club* has some dedicated members, who, since 1977 donate aluminum every year though they live in Port Hueneme. In past years they have sent the aluminum via United Parcel, flatbed trailer (37 large bags), but this year they sold it and sent the money. The amount you ask? \$150.00! The names you ask? Jim and Connie Sharp, daughters Michelle and Shannon, Jim's mother Isabel Sharp, Jim's brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Sharp. An excellent long-distance gesture that is sincerely appreciated.

### AND TONY BENNETT THOUGHT... HE LEFT HIS HEART IN SFO

Bob and Kay Northam had an interesting and frightening experience on their way to Hawaii to attend the *Hawaii State Numismatic* show in Honolulu. It seems the plane developed some mechanical problems and had to dump their fuel and return to LAX. Although the pilot made no mention of it until later, the Northams could see the fuel being dumped from the wings. Good to see them both back and safe.



## In Memoriam

Probably no quarter has witnessed the passing of so many friends and leaders of our hobby than the one recently concluded. Please remember them:

HERBERT BERGEN — Past President of *ANA* and *CSNA*. He was Charter Member #7 of the *Orange County Coin Club*. He passed away at the age of 91 on November 1st.

RICHARD YEOMAN — An individual who revolutionized the hobby with his famous *Redbook*. An excellent speaker who gave generously of his time was Mr. Yeo, who changed his name to the more familiar Yeoman. Richard passed away November 11.

BARBARA HYDE — Former editor of the *Calcoin News*, artist and sculptress, Barbara was known and loved by many. Active in many organizations, her contributions, especially in designing coins and other artwork was outstanding.

TOM WARD — Life member of the *San Diego Numismatic Society*, Past President of *SCANS*.

MARGARET GRANT — Member #100 of the *Orange County Coin Club*. A retired teacher in the Santa Ana Unified School District, a school was named for her in 1980.

HOWARD WASNER — Member of *Hemet Numismatists* and the *San Bernardino County Coin Club*. Howard always had a smile for you.

RUSH SWICK — *Whittier Coin Club* member 91, Rush would drive in from Sun City for meetings. He was generous with donations to his club. Also a member of the *Hemet Club*.

ERNEST ROTHREM — *Covina Coin Club* member, lived in West Covina.

AND THAT IS WHAT MAKES . . .  
THIS HOBBY SO GREAT

*San Bernardino County Coin Club* member, Mr. Hedges donated two 1879 Morgan Dollars to the club to be auctioned. The money raised was used by the club to purchase a turkey for each of the families designated as in need during the holiday season. It is acts of unselfishness like this that makes us all proud to be called numismatists.

ALWAYS INTERESTING AND . . .  
WELL RECEIVED

Back to the Basics program at the *San Bernardino County Coin Club* included presentations on coin security by Norm Sturgess, who also told about scales and coin weights. *Collecting Exonumia* by Al Hall, and *Money Banks* by John Lenker.

BETTER TO GIVE THAN TO . . . . .

The *Los Angeles Coin Club* had a mini Christmas tree at its December meeting. The tree had interesting ornaments — five Eisenhower Dollars, five Anthony Dollars and two Peso Gold Piece on top of the tree.

FOR A GOOD TIME, MAY I SUGGEST?

At this time of year there are many Installation Dinners to attend. Clubs that had such proceedings were *Orange County*, *Bay Cities*, *Verdugo Hills*, *Culver City*, *San Bernardino*, *Long Beach*, *West Valley*, *San Diego*, *Anaheim*, *Garden Grove* and others that I may not be aware of. These banquets produce a lot of laughs, fellowship and good times.

THE HOBBY DEPENDS UPON . . .  
ITS FRIENDS — HELP! HELP!

Linda Richard has a set of early American Coins which she takes to various schools and talks to students, illustrating our history through coinage. Students learn not only about our history, but about numismatics as well. A problem that Lynda has is that the program is growing. Interest is high and that results in having more programs requested than she is able to do. If you are interested in volunteering for this program, Lynda will furnish you

with the set of coins and provide in-service. Please call her at her residence (213) 777-2433 and volunteer to help students as well as the hobby.

VICE PRESIDENT EMERITUS

The *Covina Coin Club* presented long-time member Frank Straus with a beautiful plaque naming him "Vice-President Emeritus". Our congratulations, Frank! An after thought — since the Vice President is usually the Program Chairman, does this mean Frank is in charge of programs? Hereafter? Forever?

HERE'S TO YOU, MY FRIEND. . . .  
. . . A PIE IN YOUR FACE

At the *West Valley Coin Club* Installation Dinner, the big payoff was made. It seems Presidents Paul Borack of the *Los Angeles Coin Club*, Kay Northam of the *Downey Club*, and Dr. Walt Ostromecki of the *West Valley Coin Club* each said their clubs would sell the most NASC Gold Ticket books. The two losers will each receive a pie ..... in the face! The winner will be the one giving the pie. Sticky Butterseoteh and Coconut Cream is the order of the day. Another example of "its far better to give ... than to receive."

GOOD SHOW, GOOD SHOW

The *San Bernardino County Coin Club's* 26th coin and hobby show was held January 8th at the NOS, Citrus Bldg. Attendance was close to 900 (under 18, over 65 and all military were admitted free) came to look over the 110 tables of interesting items to buy and collect.

TO SO MANY, WE OWE SO MUCH

At this time of the year a special thank you is in order to each of you who has served as an officer for a club this past year. Whether it be as a President, Vice President, Board of Director or whatever, please remember that the club would not exist without your contribution. Unfortunately, lack of space will not allow me to name each of you, but on behalf of all numismatists everywhere, I thank you.

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## SOLANO (CALIFORNIA) SILVER ROUND CLUB TO BEGIN SEVEN-YEAR SERIES OF SILVER ROUNDS



The *Solano (California) Silver Round Club (SSRC)* has begun accepting orders for the First Issue, 1989, of its planned seven-year series of silver rounds commemorating the Golden Fiftieth (50th) Anniversary of the Second World War, 1939-1989 to 1945-1995.

This First Issue, to be released by September 1, 1989, will commemorate the opening of the Second World War, the Invasion of Poland and the German Blitzkrieg Warfare. No design has been selected as yet; however, each annual issue of this seven-year series will highlight a significant military or international event of the Second World War Period.

The year, 1990, is anticipated to recognize the 1940 Fall of France.

This initial issue, as with all future issues, is by prepaid orders only. The price is \$18.00 postpaid. Remittances are to be made out to: "Solano Silver Round Club" and mailed to: "Stan Turrini, Medals Coordinator, P.O. Box 4104, Vallejo, California 94590.



Hitler receives the salutes of Nazi faithful in the Reichstag after announcing that German troops and tanks had invaded Poland.

Silver rounds will be available to September, 1989 and be mailed to purchasers Insured First Class. Deadline for all Orders will be June 1, 1989, with the total mintage fixed at that date by the total number of prepaid orders received. -

Purchasers of this First Issue may subscribe to the entire series or just this first issue. Ordering the initial issue does not obligate one to the entire series.

The reverse design for this first issue will be selected by vote of the *SSRC* members at their Open Meeting on April 30, 1989. Competition as to the design is open equally to both members and non-members. The theme must be the Invasion of Poland and Blitzkrieg Warfare, the opening phase of the Second World War. Interested medal designers may write for Design Contest Rules and criteria to the same address shown above.

Founded in 1983, the *SSRC* is dedicated to promoting and enhancing the silver round hobby, and its membership is open to all silver enthusiasts.

The *SSRC* will hold an Open Meeting at the 17th Annual Vallejo (California) Coin Show on April 30, 1989, the last Sunday in April, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Green Room of the Dan Foley Cultural Center, site of the Vallejo Coin Show, Dan Foley Park, Tuolumne Street at North Camino Alto, Vallejo, California.

For additional information on the *SSRC* and its activities, write to: "SSRC, P.O. Box 3518, Fairfield, California 94533" or call (707) 437-5580. Orders and inquiries as to this first issue, plus requests for Design Contest Rules, write to: "P.O. Box 4104, Vallejo, California, 94590" or call (707) 643-4286.

The *Solano Silver Round Club* is to be commended for undertaking this silver commemoration of World War II.

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# GSCS

The unification of *CSNA*, *COIN*, *NASC* and *SIN* in forming a group to host one large coin show in 1990 has been completed. Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald has been appointed by the eight club representatives to serve as General Chairman. A site committee has been chosen and as soon as a date and location has been approved, members of all clubs will be advised.

The name *GOLDEN STATE COIN SHOW* has been selected for identification.

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## A Rich Numismatic Cargo

In 1855 a ship of 365 tons sailing from Turk's Island to Philadelphia, carried as cargo an interesting numismatic consignment. The report and manifest issued lists the following items:

6164 dollars  
1895 dollars  
270 Mexican dollars  
146 - 5 franc pieces  
126 half dollars  
1 Spanish doubloon  
139 - 5 franc pieces  
14 eagles  
4 double eagles or \$20 gold pieces  
7 Mexican and Spanish half dollars  
100 Spanish quarters  
5 bales goatskins

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## MEMORIAL FUND DONATIONS

In remembrance of BARBARA HYDE, donations to the CSNA Memorial Fund has been received from John Lenker and Dorothy and Al Baber.

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## FRIENDSHIP

To have a good friend is the purest of all God's gifts, for it is a love that has no exchange of payment. It is not inherited, as with a family. It is not compelling, as with a child. And it has no means of physical pleasure, as with a mate. It is, therefore, an indescribable bond that brings with it a far deeper devotion than all the others.

- Frances Farmer

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## Viewpoints on Money

by: Arthur F. Giere

Everybody is interested in money. The church in the tithe of it, the author in the emolument of it, the banker in the interest of it, the burglar in the loot of it, the capitalist in the dividend of it, the clergyman in the perquisite of it, the gambler in the chance of it, the government in the tax of it, the heir in the inheritance of it, the insurance company in the premium of it, the inventor in the royalty of it, the landlord in the rent of it, the miser in the feel of it, the pensioner in the pension of it, the widow in the dowry of it, the worker in the wage of it, the coin collector in the hobby of it. Nobody is against money, although the Good Book proclaims to all the world that the *love of money is the root of all evil*.

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Time is the coin of your life. It is the only coin you have, and only you can determine how it will be spent. Be careful, lest you let other people spend it for you.  
(Carl Sandburg)

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Social Security checks: month-to-month resuscitation.

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Middle age starts the day you become more interested in how long your ear will last, than in how fast it will go.

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A taxpayer is a person who does not have to pass a civil service examination to work for the government.

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An expert is a man who doesn't know all the answers, but is sure that if he is given enough money he can find them.

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These days, anyone planning to hang on to money, had better lay in a good supply of tweezers.

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Children who are as good as gold are just as rare.

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# *The Secretary's Report*

Ethel Lenhert, CSNA 1564

## **New Members**

(1 November 1988 through 31 January 1989)

|         |                             |                                                                             |
|---------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 5206    | WEGNER, WALTER L. ....      | (sponsored by P. Iversen)                                                   |
| 5207    | LISUK, DAN .....            | (sponsored by W. J. Grant)                                                  |
| A5208   | EVERY, MARY C. ....         | (sponsored by Luther J. Avery)                                              |
| A5209   | WILLIAMS, MARY A. ....      | P.O. Box 6056, Moreno Valley, CA 92313<br>(sponsored by Victor L. Williams) |
| 5210    | LOPEZ, THEODORE P. ....     | (sponsored by Fred Lopez, Sr.)                                              |
| A5211   | LOPEZ, MARY H. ....         | (sponsored by Fred Lopez, Sr.)                                              |
| 5212    | SANFORD, MIKE .....         | (sponsored by the secretary)                                                |
| A5213   | SANFORD, JOYCE A. ....      | (sponsored by the secretary)                                                |
| 5214    | ANDREATA, NEVIO .....       | (sponsored by David Cieniewicz)                                             |
| 5215    | TROMBETTA, DR. THOMAS ..... | P.O. Box 846, Bear, DE 19701<br>(sponsored by the secretary)                |
| 5216    | BRUCE II, COLIN R. ....     | 700 E. State St., Iola, WI 54990<br>(sponsored by Levin Messick)            |
| 5217-JR | ALLEN, MARC .....           | (sponsored by the secretary)                                                |

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### — DECEASED —

|         |                    |      |                   |
|---------|--------------------|------|-------------------|
| LM 1-18 | Bergen, Herbert M. | 530  | Smedley, Glenn B. |
| LM 1-28 | Yoeman, Richard S. | 4839 | Zug, Donald L.    |
| 3051    | Alcott, Walt E.    |      |                   |

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### — RESIGNED —

|       |                  |      |                       |
|-------|------------------|------|-----------------------|
| 5025  | Johnson, Ron     | 2572 | Duke, James B.        |
| A3917 | Swain, Connie J. | 2458 | Stanio, Fred J.       |
| A3997 | Wallis, Nancy P. | 1913 | Garberson, Kenneth E. |

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### DROP — FORWARDING ADDRESSES UNKNOWN

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|----------|--------------------------|-------|--------------------|
| LM 34-11 | Abbott, Lawrence F.      | 2838  | Hemet Numismatists |
| 2916     | Blood, Gladys L.         | 4597  | Weingart, George   |
| 2891     | Mike De Falco Rare Coins | A5043 | Blood, Russell A.  |
| 5132     | Fernandez, Carlos        |       |                    |



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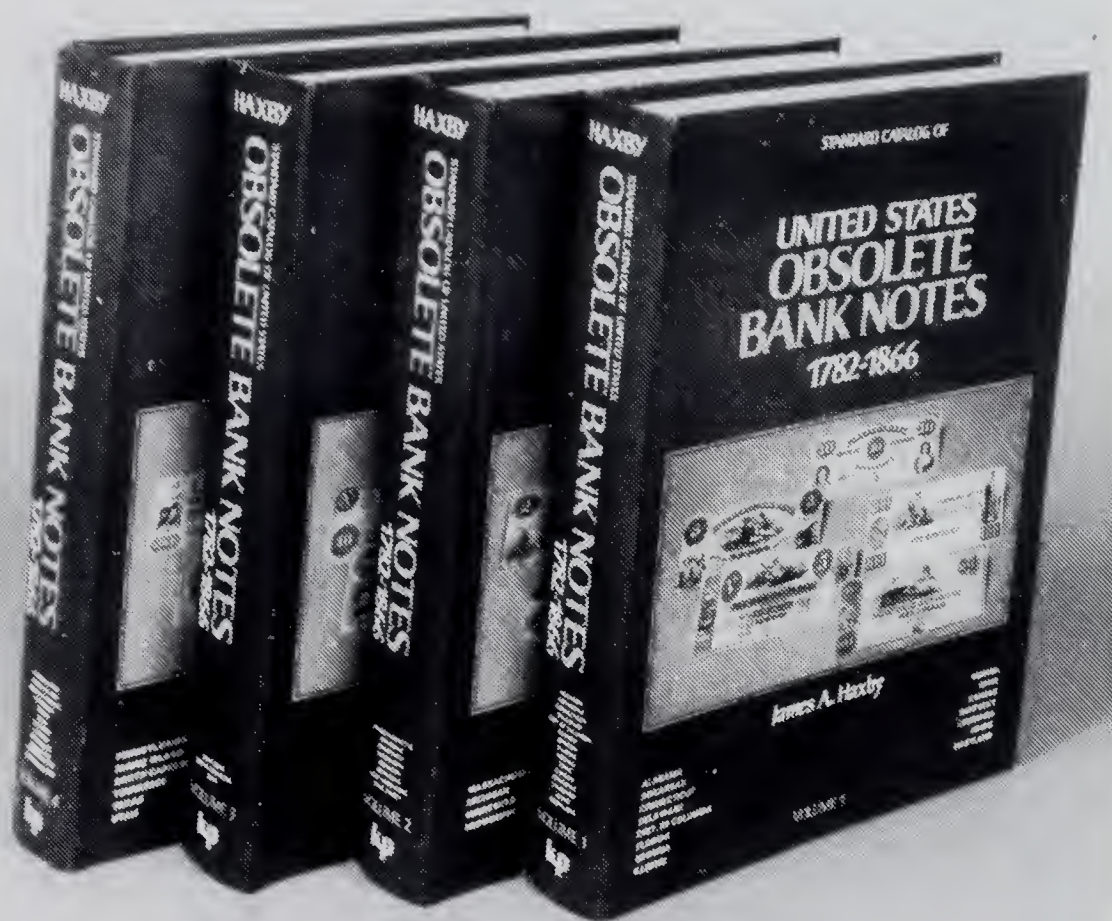
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|---------------------------------------------------------|------|
| Membership on 1 November 1988 .....                     | 1055 |
| New Members (1 November 1988 thru 31 January 1989 ..... | 12   |
| Deceased .....                                          | 5    |
| Resigned .....                                          | 6    |
| Address Unknown (Drop) .....                            | 7    |
| Membership Total, 1 February 1989 .....                 | 1049 |
| Total Life Members .....                                | 147  |

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## ***THE BOOK SHELF***

### **United States Obsolete Bank Notes 1782-1866**

Authored by noted numismatic researcher and paper money authority James A. Haxby, the *Standard Catalog of United States Obsolete Bank Notes, 1782-1866* covers all state bank issues of the turbulent wildcat and broken banking era of the late 1700s through the mid-1860s.

Included are 77,000+ listings of bank notes, 3100+ note issuing banks, 15,000+ illustrations, 2,784 pages, 8½ x 11 inches in size, hardbound in four volumes. Also, Haxby's introduction includes the most complete list of bank note imprints (the

names of the actual engraver or printer) ever assembled. Where a surviving example of the note has not been traced, it is assigned the designation *SENC* (Surviving Examples Not Confirmed). All varieties are incorporated, including changes in color of paper or ink, or any engraved changes in the plates.

It is available from Krause Publications, 700 E. State St., Iola, WI 54990 at a cost of \$195.00 per set (U.S. addresses, post-paid).

# Calendar of Numismatic Events

## CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

- May 5-7, 1989 ..... 84th Convention & Coin Show  
Dunfey Hotel, San Mateo, CA.  
General Chairman: Dave Cieniewicz, Box 2698, Redwood City, CA 94064  
Exhibit: Marian Sinton, CSNA, Box 2698, Redwood City, CA 94064  
Bourse Chairman: Ken Barr, Box 32541, San Jose, CA 95152
- Oct. 27-29, 1989 ..... 85th Convention & Coin Show  
Saddleback Inn, 1660 E. First St., Santa Ana, CA.  
General Co-Chairmen: Albert Hall and Bruce Davidson  
Bourse Chairman: Wm. J. Grant, Box 295, Patton, CA 92369  
Host Club: Orange County Coin Club

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W. J. Grant, BOURSE COORDINATOR, P.O. Box 295, Patton, CA 92369  
To be contacted for bourse applications to any CSNA convention.

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### — OTHERS —

- March 18-19, 1989 ..... 7th Annual Spring Show  
Sacramento Valley Coin Club  
Elk's Hall, 6446 Riverside Blvd., Sacramento (Florin Rd. West off I-5)  
Info: Dennis Pacheco, Box 160122, Sacramento, CA 95816
- March 19, 1989 ..... 20th Annual Coin Show  
Napa Valley Coin Club  
Town & Country Fairgrounds, 575 - 3rd St., Napa  
Bourse: Gene Feinstein, Box 2154, Napa, CA 94558
- April 30, 1989 ..... 17th Annual Coin Show  
Vallejo Numismatic Society  
Dan Foley Cultural Center, Tuolumne & N Camino Alto Sts., Vallejo  
Bourse: Mike Stanley, 2107 Gill Dr., Concord, CA 94520
- May 21, 1989 ..... 28th Coin-O-Rama  
Covina Coin Club, Joselyn Center, 815 N. Barranca, Covina  
General Chairman: Chuck Hamm, 812 Payson St., LaVerne, CA 91750
- July 8-9, 1989 ..... 31st Annual Coinarama  
San Diego County Interclub Numismatic Council  
Scottish Rite Memorial Center, Mission Valley, San Diego  
Bourse: Kay Lenker, Box 6599, San Diego, CA 92106  
General Chairman: Jim Heine, Box 368, Lemon Grove, CA 92045
- July 16, 1989 ..... 29th Annual Collectible Show  
California Exonumist Society  
Griswold's Inn, Freeway #91 at Raymond, Fullerton  
General Chairman: Phil Iversen, Box 5207, Sherman Oaks, CA 91412-5207
- July 21-23, 1989 ..... 28th Annual Convention  
Northern California Numismatic Association  
Cathedral Hill Hotel, Van Ness & Geary  
Bourse Chairman: Ron Miller, 3769 Peralta Blvd., Fremont 94536
- August 18-20, 1989 ..... 26th Anniversary Convention  
Convention of International Numismatics  
Airport Hilton, Century Blvd., Los Angeles  
Bourse: Jerry Yahalom, Box 3637, Thousand Oaks, CA 91359
- October 8, 1989 ..... 22nd Annual Coin-A-Rama  
Redwood Empire Coin Club  
Veterans Memorial Bldg., 1351 Maple Ave., Santa Rosa  
Bourse Info: William Feist, Box 2811, Santa Rosa, CA 95405
- October 14-15, 1989 ..... 32nd Coin-a-Rama  
Sacramento Valley Coin Club  
Elk's Hall, 6446 Riverside Blvd., (Florin Rd., West off I-5)  
Bourse Chairman: Dennis Pacheco, Box 160122, Sacramento, CA 95816